

Remarks

Applicant respectfully requests consideration. Claims 1-19 were previously pending in this application. Claims 20-25 have been withdrawn without prejudice, as drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct typographical and grammatical errors and to simplify the language of the claims. By this amendment, claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the nucleic acid encodes a potential binding protein wherein the nucleic acid comprises DNA encoding (i) a potential binding domain having one or more variable residue positions and one or more non-variable residue positions, and (ii) an outer surface transport signal for obtaining the display of the potential binding domain on the outer surface of the cell. The word “causing” in claim 1, subsection (b) has been replaced with the word “allowing” and the word “predetermined” has been removed from claim 1, subsection (c) as superfluous. Additionally, in claim 1, subsection (e), the word “a” has been added before the phrase “binding protein comprising” to correct a grammatical omission. No new matter has been added.

Additionally, Applicants request entry of the Sequence Listing and CRF submitted herewith.

The substitute Sequence Listing contain no new matter.

Conclusion

Applicants submit herewith the substitute sequence listing and CRF in response to the mailing of the Notice to Comply With Sequence Rules, which was mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 27, 2005. Applicants also submit herewith an amended version of the pending claims to correct grammatical and typographical errors and to simplify the claim language for clarity.

A check in the amount of \$1020.00 is enclosed to cover the three-month extension of time fee for responding to the Notice to Comply with the Sequence Rules. Please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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